

Draft of Annual Report of the COA

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Overview of this Report

This agenda item begins the discussion of a draft of the *Annual Report of the Committee on Accreditation 2013-14*.

Staff Recommendation

This is an information item.

Background

California Education Code and the *Accreditation Framework* require the COA to provide the Commission with a report on accreditation activities on an annual basis. Typically, the two Co-Chairs present the *Annual Report* at a fall meeting of the Commission.

This agenda item begins the discussion of a draft of Section I of the *Annual Report*. Sections II and III are presented in draft form as Section II includes an overall finding of all accreditation visits and activities for 2013-14. These activities will not be completed until after the August 2014 meeting.

Commission staff presents Section I here in order to discuss the contents further and to ask COA members for input as to which accomplishments should be included in the 2013-14 report.

Next Steps

Commission staff will review the draft of Section I as appropriate based on the COA discussion at this meeting. A draft of all section of the *Annual Report of the COA* will be provided to the COA for further discussion at the October 2014 COA meeting.



COMMISSION ON
TEACHER CREDENTIALING

Ensuring Educator Excellence

**The Committee on Accreditation's
Annual Accreditation Report to the
Commission on Teacher Credentialing
2013-2014**

Dear Commissioners:

It is with personal and professional pleasure that, on behalf of the entire Committee on Accreditation, we submit to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing the *2013-2014 Annual Accreditation Report* by the Committee on Accreditation in accordance with the provisions of the *Accreditation Framework*. This report presents an overview of the activities and accomplishments of the Committee in the past year and its proposed work plan for 2014-15 as it implements the Commission's accreditation system.

The *Annual Accreditation Report* is organized to address the purposes of the accreditation system: ensure accountability, ensure high quality programs, ensure adherence to standards and foster on-going improvement. Each purpose is addressed as the report notes what was accomplished in 2013-14 and in the proposed work plan for 2014-15. We believe that aligning the *Annual Accreditation Report* to these purposes provides evidence of the integrity of the accreditation system.

The Committee stands ready to assist the Commission in achieving the goal of a high quality teacher in every classroom.

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Accomplishment of the Committee's Work Plan in 2013-2014

Accreditation site visits and all accreditation activities resumed in 2013-14, however, the Commission's fiscal challenges continued. The Commission remained committed to continuing accreditation activities in the most cost effective manner possible, including seeking possible long term remedies to ensuring the Commission can carry out its mandate in future years.

The items that follow represent the key components of the 2013-2014 accreditation activities for the COA and a summary of each task and its current status.

Purpose 1. Ensure Accountability to the Public and to the Profession

Maintain public access to the Committee on Accreditation. The COA resumed its regular schedule to accommodate the return to a full schedule of accreditation site visits. It held meetings on the following dates:

August 7, 2013
October 10-11, 2013
February 6-7, 2014
April 24-25, 2014
June 26-27, 2014

All Committee meetings were held in public and all meeting agendas posted in accordance with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act. In addition, meetings were transmitted via audio broadcast to allow any individual with access to the internet the ability to hear live or recorded broadcasts of all Committee meetings. The Commission's website was utilized fully to provide agenda items, notification of meetings, as well as broad-based access to critical accreditation materials for institutions and others interested in accreditation.

As a continuing cost saving measure, videoconference, Skype, Google Hangout, and phone conferencing were used, where possible and appropriate, in order that those located in various regions of California who are involved in accreditation activities could participate without travel.

PSD News, The PSD E-news, developed in 2008, continued to be distributed weekly. This electronic notification reaches 1728 individuals (up from 1500 last year), including all approved institutions, to inform them of accreditation-related activities such as information regarding standards development and revision, technical assistance opportunities, and notification of requests for stakeholder input.

Program Sponsor Alerts. Program Sponsor Alerts (PSA) continued to be used to provide important and timely information on specific topics of interest to program sponsors. The Commission staff used this resource frequently in the 2013-2014 year, issuing eight PSAs. The PSA is used to address a specific issue such as requirements for transition to new standards and

has served the Commission and the field well. Program Sponsor Alerts will continue to be used to provide information to the field.

Technical Assistance to the Field. In 2013-14 a variety of activities took place designed to share information about the accreditation system and its implementation. Meetings were held both in person and via the web. All webinars were broadcast live and also archived for access by stakeholders at <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/commission/meetings.html>. Technical Assistance included the following:

Date	Technical Assistance Activity
10/3/2014	Intern Webinar
10/16-18/2014	Credential Counselors and Analysts of California Conference
12/18/2013	Common Core State Standards- How does educator preparation need to change with CCSS?
1/16/2014	Administrator examinations: Examinations Development Discussion
3/7/2014	CalTPA Coordinators
3/21/2014	Induction Stakeholder Webcast
4/15/2014	Stakeholder Conversation- Assignment Monitoring and Compliance Activities
5/08/2014	Accountability and Accreditation
5/16/2014	TPA Stakeholder Meeting
5/30/2014	Joint CAEP and CTC Accreditation
Aug-May	CalTPA Assessor Training (8 sessions)
May-Sept	Intern Program Modification : EL, Support and Supervision Requirements (5 sessions)
Jan-Aug	ASC Think Tanks (15 sessions)

Preparation and presentation of COA reports to the Commission. COA Co-Chair Anne Jones presented its annual report to the Commission at the December 2013 Commission Meeting <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/commission/agendas/2013-12/2013-12-agenda.html>.

Commission Liaison. The Commission's liaison position was vacant during 2013-2014. The Commission's liaison provides an important perspective to COA discussions and serves as an effective means of communication between the COA and the Commission. It is anticipated that this role will be filled in 2014-15.

Implementation of a fee recovery system for certain accreditation activities, pending approval by the Office of Administrative Law. The Commission adopted a cost recovery plan, and associated regulations (effective October 2013), for the review of new programs and for accreditation activities outside the typical accreditation cycle. A system was established to track reviewer assignments and credit institutions for in-kind, and that ensures a fiscal process which invoices institutions accurately reflecting any earned in-kind credit. Approximately \$65,000 were garnered through Cost Recovery fees during 2013-2014.

Purpose 2. Ensure Program Quality

Professional accreditation of institutions and their credential preparation programs. This is one of the principal ongoing tasks of the Committee on Accreditation. The COA has been given full responsibility for making the legal decisions regarding the continuing professional education accreditation of institutions and their credential programs. Accreditation site visits resumed in 2013-14. Thirty-three institutions were reviewed resulting in the following decisions:

- 23 institutions Accredited
- 4 institutions Accredited with Stipulations
- 2 institutions Accredited with Major Stipulations
- 1 institution Denied Accreditation

Two institutions that were Accredited with Stipulations in 2012-13, improved and the COA changed their status to Accreditation in 2013-14. There was also a revisit to Bard College which resulted in a decision of Accreditation. A list of the institutions that had a site visit or revisit in 2013-2014 is included in Section II of this report.

Attention was paid to ensuring cost effectiveness in reviews. In particular, the number of team members was reduced to the minimum number of reviewers required to complete the task. In addition, all site visits with one or two similar programs (such as General Education Induction and Clear Education Specialist Induction) were reduced by one day for a total of three days, two nights, instead of four days and three nights. This action reduced the cost involved in the review while continuing to ensure a sufficient length of time for a thorough review.

Review and revise the Accreditation Handbook. The *Accreditation Handbook* explicates the processes and procedures of the various components of the accreditation system. Chapter 3 was updated to include information to institutions regarding the reactivation of a program that was on Accredited Inactive status. An additional chapter addressing Technical Assistance visits was also added to the Accreditation Handbook. This information can be found in Chapter 16.

Receive regular updates on Commission activities related to accreditation and provide Commission with advice on issues related to accreditation as requested by the Commission. The COA received updates on Commission activities at each meeting. Examples of topics discussed for 2013-14 included updates on the work related to the Commission's consideration of recommendations regarding Administrative Service Credential Standards, efforts to strengthen and streamline the accountability system, and the transition from NCATE/TEAC to CAEP.

Continue Efforts to Develop Surveys for Use in Accreditation. The Commission's adopted activities for 2012-13 included the development of a pilot program completer survey to collect data that could be used in the accreditation process. In the spring of 2013, the Commission staff worked with stakeholders to develop and pilot the first of these surveys for Preliminary Multiple Subject, Single Subject, and Education Specialist program completers. Additional effort was made during the 2013-14 year to examine the use of the data collected during the pilot, determine how it might be brought to scale, and used for accreditation purposes in the future.

The second phase of the Completer Survey pilot is underway with an eye towards increasing participation. The survey is being sent to all individuals that earned a preliminary credential between January 1 and August 30, 2014. Completers are being asked to submit the survey by September 15, 2014.

Programs have been asked to encourage their graduates to participate. Programs with 10 or more responses will receive program reports that include the statewide reports by October 15, 2014.

The Commission is also in the process of developing additional surveys to be completed by candidates completing induction programs, Pupil Personnel Services programs, master and mentor teacher surveys, and employers.

Purpose 3. Ensure Adherence to Standards

Review and take action to grant initial approval of new credential programs. This is also one of the major ongoing tasks of the Committee on Accreditation. The COA has developed procedures for handling the submission of proposed credential programs. Some of the decisions are made on the basis of expert review panel recommendations and some are made on the basis of staff recommendations. Forty-three (43) programs were granted initial approval during 2013-2014.

Conduct and review program assessment activities. In 2013-14, institutions in the Blue cohort were working to complete the program assessment process and submitted documents at the end of 2013. The review of indigo and blue program assessment documents was slow due to the lack of budget to bring readers together as well as lack of reader sign ups when budget was available for travel. Staff facilitated eight program assessment sessions during the 2013-2014 year throughout the state bringing nearly seventy readers together to review documents. Extensive recruitment efforts were made by reaching out to potential readers in the green and yellow cohorts as a means to better prepare for the submission of their own documents. Brandman University, Los Angeles County Office of Education, CSU San Bernardino, and CSU Sacramento hosted reading sessions and assisted in the recruitment of program assessment readers. Even with the assistance of hosting institutions, low reader turn out and budgetary constraints required the vast majority of the documents reviewed to take place remotely – with reviewers being sent the documents and the reviewers devoting time on their own schedule, at their homes or offices, working via technology with their program assessment partner. While this approach allowed many of these documents to be completed, it does extend the time for reviewers to complete their work and results in greater wait time for institutions to receive the results of the review.

In addition, during 2013-14, the Commission had a significant program assessment work load in the Education Specialist area. Documents from institutions that transitioned to new program standards continued to arrive in addition to the normal cohort workload and contributed to the shortage of available reviewers.

Conduct technical assistance visits to institutions new to accreditation. Due to limited resources during 2013-2014, Technical Assistance visits did not occur. The COA may want to reconsider the value of continuing Technical Assistance visits when resources become available.

Disseminate information related to the Commission's Common Standards and Program Standards. Efforts to assist institutions in understanding the Commission's Common and Program Standards continued in 2013-14 through a variety of strategies. Staff provided feedback regarding Common Standard 2 as part of the Biennial Report process. Additionally, a consultant was assigned to each accreditation cohort to provide technical assistance throughout the accreditation process, especially regarding an institution's ability to meet standards.

Specific technical assistance was also provided regarding newly adopted standards such the Administrator Preparation Standards. Fifteen (15) Think Tank sessions <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/ASC/asc-2014-think-tank.pdf>, which included 153 participants, were held throughout the state, providing both guidance from staff as well as an opportunity to network with other programs. Intern programs were also provided with assistance in implementing new regulations pertaining to English learners and new requirements regarding support and supervision both in person at regional meetings and via technology. Staff also provided guidance regarding changes to preconditions that were as a result of SB5, which lifted the one year cap on preliminary multiple and single subject programs.

Determine and enact effective strategies for reviewing those standards related to the implementation of the Teaching Performance Assessment. In 2012-13 COA determined the need for strategies to ensure a thorough review of standards related to the Teaching Performance Assessment. As a result, dedicated, specially-trained readers now review program standards 17-19 for multiple and single subject documents. This team of readers is quite rigorous and it is rare for a document to be preliminarily aligned on the first read.

Work with stakeholders and the Committee on Accreditation to develop a more strengthened and streamlined accountability system and a targeted site visit model that is cost effective, rigorous, and focused on the essential attributes of high quality educator preparation. This topic has been on several COA agendas and significant work has begun in regard to strengthening and streamlining the Commission's accountability system. Meetings have been held with a variety of stakeholder groups (CSU deans and directors, AAICU, CCTE, and with other interested groups). At the June 2014 Commission meeting (<http://www.ctc.ca.gov/commission/agendas/2014-06/2014-06-2E.pdf>) the Commission took action to implement a conceptual framework and related timeline including establishing a Steering Committee and a component specific task force for each area in the framework. The task force components are Standards, Performance Assessment, Outcome Measures, Accreditation Processes, and Transparency.

Purpose 4. Foster Program Improvement

Collect, analyze, and report on the biennial reports submitted in fall 2013. Biennial Reports were submitted for all programs in the Green and Orange cohorts during Fall 2013. Indigo cohorts had the option of submitting Biennial Reports in Fall 2013 and then providing an addendum in Fall 2014 or waiting and submitting reports in Fall 2014. Staff reviewed all Biennial Reports that were submitted and provided written feedback at the program and unit level. Technical assistance was also provided to individual institutions that were in need. This

occurred via phone conference and was led by the consultant assigned to the institution's accreditation cohort.

In June 2012, the Commission recommended an increase to the consistency and comprehensiveness of the data collected, analyzed and reported on for each type of educator preparation program. The COA spent considerable time in 2013-14 on this topic assisting staff in developing a Biennial Report template that provides clear requirements to the field for collecting and analyzing appropriate data for each educator preparation program.

Biennial Report templates were revised to be more streamlined and provide clearer direction to institutions and direct them toward providing more specific information focusing on candidate competency, fieldwork, and program effectiveness. The COA reviewed the new Biennial Report template at their June and August meetings. The streamlined template has been provided as an optional pilot to institutions in the Indigo, Red, and Yellow cohorts for Fall 2014 submission.

Cohort consultants assigned to the Indigo, Red, and Yellow cohorts met with institutions via Google Hangout and phone conference to orient them to the streamlined template, provide technical assistance, and gather initial feedback. Submissions using the new template will be reviewed and information will be provided to the COA in Fall 2014.

Continued development of the evaluation system for the accreditation system. Site visit surveys were provided to site visit team leads, team members, institutions, and consultants. Analysis of 2013-14 site visit evaluation data is currently underway. Improvements to the system based upon those data will be considered by the COA in October, 2014.

Continue partnership with the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (formerly the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and the Teacher Education Accreditation Council) and efforts to collaborate with other national accrediting bodies, where appropriate. With the unification of TEAC and NCATE into CAEP, and the adoption of new national educator preparation standards, the COA has worked with staff and stakeholders to determine the alignment of the new standards with the Commission's Common Standards and developed the new Partnership Agreement with CAEP. The draft agreement was presented to COA at the August 2014 meeting.

Explore ways to align and streamline the accreditation of other national and professional organizations with that of the state processes. The COA adopted the standards crosswalk illustrating alignment between the PPS: School Psychology standards and the National Association of School Psychologist Standards.

General Operations

In addition to the above mentioned items, the COA will engage in routine matters necessary for general operations of the Committee. This includes the election of Co-Chairs, the adoption of a meeting schedule, and orientation of new members.

Section II: Summary of 2013-14 Accreditation Activities

This section of the report provides more detailed information about elements of the 2013-14 Work Plan with a focus on accreditation activities.

Professional Accreditation of Program Sponsors and their Credential Preparation Programs

2013-14 accreditation decisions were made based upon the written reports of the evidence gathered at the site visit, recommendations made by the team, and the COA interview of program leadership and the team lead. Teams reviewed documentation, interviewed a variety of constituencies (candidates, program completers, faculty, employers, administration, supervisors, etc.), deliberated, and came to consensus on findings for all common standards, program standards, and an accreditation recommendation. Commission consultants, team leads, and institutional representatives attended Committee on Accreditation meetings to present the results of the site visit report and respond to questions. Copies of the site visit team reports are available on the Commission's website at: <http://www.ctc.ca.gov/educator-prep/accreditation-reports.html>. The COA made the following accreditation determinations in 2013-14:

COA Accreditation Decisions 2013-14 Visits	
Program Sponsor	Accreditation Decision
Antelope Valley Unified School District	Accreditation
Antioch University	
Claremont Graduate University	Accreditation with Stipulations
Compton Unified School District	Accreditation
California State University, Fresno	Accreditation
California State University Monterey Bay	Accreditation with Major Stipulations
El Dorado County Office of Education	Accreditation
Envision Schools	Denial of Accreditation
Hebrew Union College	Accreditation with Major Stipulations
Hope International University	Accreditation
Imperial County Office of Education	Accreditation
Irvine Unified School District	
Kern County Superintendent of Schools	Accreditation
La Sierra University	Accreditation with Stipulations
Los Banos Unified School District	Accreditation with Stipulations
Murrieta Valley Unified School District	Accreditation
National University	Accreditation with Stipulations
New Haven Unified School District	Accreditation
Pacific Oaks College	
Palo Alto Unified School District	Accreditation
Palos Verdes Peninsula Unified School District	Accreditation
Sacramento City Unified School District	Accreditation
San Francisco Unified School District	Accreditation

COA Accreditation Decisions 2013-14 Visits	
Program Sponsor	Accreditation Decision
San Francisco State University	Accreditation
Sanger Unified School District	Accreditation
Selma Unified School District	Accreditation
Sequoia Union High School District	Accreditation
University of California, Davis	Accreditation
University of California, Irvine	Accreditation
University of California, San Diego	Accreditation
University of Southern California	Accreditation
Washington Unified School District	Accreditation
Wm. S. Hart Union High School District	Accreditation

In addition, in 2013-14, revisits were conducted for institutions assigned stipulations as a result of site visits conducted in 2012-2013. After these revisits, the COA made the following decisions:

2013-14 Accreditation Follow-Up		
Revisits		
Program Sponsor	2012-13 Decision	2013-14 Revisit Decision
Bard College	Accreditation w/Stipulations	Accreditation
Submission of Documentation Addressing Stipulations		
Program Sponsor	2012-13 Decision	2013-14 Decision
Pacific Union College	Accreditation w/Stipulations	Accreditation

Analysis of Standard Decisions

The Commission's revised Common Standards (2008) and all appropriate credential program standards were utilized in the accreditation site visits in 2013-14.

A review of the year's site visit results serves as information for the COA and staff in determining needs of institutions for technical assistance meetings and as a guide for institutions as they prepared for site visits. The information regarding findings on the Common Standards from 2013-2014 is presented in the following table.

Findings on the Common Standards 2013-2014 Accreditation Site Visits			
	Standard Findings		
	Met	Met with Concerns	Not Met
Standard 1: Education Leadership	24	7	2
Standard 2: Unit and Program Assessment and Evaluation	21	7	5
Standard 3: Resources	29	3	1
Standard 4: Faculty and Instructional Personnel	28	3	2

Findings on the Common Standards 2013-2014 Accreditation Site Visits			
	Standard Findings		
	Met	Met with Concerns	Not Met
Standard 5: Admission	33	-	-
Standard 6: Advice and Assistance	29	4	-
Standard 7: Field Experience and Clinical Practice	30	3	-
Standard 8: District Employed Supervisors	15	3	1
Standard 9: Assessment of Candidate Competence	29	2	-

Note: Institutions with single induction programs were not reviewed for Standard 8 as it does not apply.

A summary of the information gathered on all educator preparation programs with determinations of *Met with Concerns* or *Not Met* are presented in the tables below. If a standard is not listed, all institutions met that standard. As with the information about the Common Standards, this information about standards that were *Not Met* or were *Met with Concerns* guides the COA and staff in determining what additional technical assistance might be helpful to the field.

Multiple Subject Standards (15 site visits)	Met with Concerns	Not Met
14: Preparation to Teach Special Populations in the General Education Classroom	3	-
15: Learning to Teach Through Supervised Fieldwork	2	-

Preliminary Single Subject Standards (10 site visits)	Met with Concerns	Not Met
1: Program Design	1	-
8: Pedagogical Preparation for Subject Specific Content Instruction	1	1
12: Preparation to Teach English Learners	1	-
14: Learning to Teach through Supervised Fieldwork	1	-
15: Qualifications for Individuals who Provide School Site Support	2	-

General Education (MS/SS) Induction Standards (19 site visits)	Met with Concerns	Not Met
1: Program Rationale and Design	2	-
2: Communication and Collaboration	3	-
3: Support Providers and Professional Development Providers	1	1
6: Universal Access: Equity for all Students	2	-

General Education (MS/SS) Clear Standards (5 site visits)	Met with Concerns	Not Met
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3: Support Providers and Professional Development Providers	-	1
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Preliminary Education Specialist Program Standards 1-16 (5 site visits)	Met with Concerns	Not Met
2: Professional, Legal and Ethical Practices	1	1
3: Educating Diverse Learners	1	1
4: Effective Communication and Collaborative Partnerships	1	1
5: Assessment of Students	-	2
6: Using Education and Assistive Technology	1	-
7: Transition and Transitional Planning	1	1
8: Participating in ISFP/IEP and Post-Secondary Transition Planning	1	1
9: Preparation to Teach Reading/Language Arts	1	1
10: Preparation to Teach English Language Learners	-	1
11: Typical and Atypical Development	1	-
12: Behavioral, Social, and Environmental Supports for Learning	1	-
13: Curriculum and Instruction of Students with Disabilities	1	1
14: Creating Healthy Learning Environments	-	2
15: Field Experience in a Broad Range of Service Delivery Options	-	1
16: Assessment of Candidate Performance	1	-

Preliminary Education Specialist Mild/Moderate (8 site visits)	Met with Concerns	Not Met
2: Professional, Legal and Ethical Practices	-	2
3: Educating Diverse Learners	1	1
4: Positive Behavior Support	1	-
5: Specific Instructional Strategies for Students with Mild/Moderate Disabilities	-	1
6: Using Educational and Assistive Technology	-	2

Preliminary Education Specialist Moderate/Severe (5 site visits)	Met with Concerns	Not Met
5: Assessment of Students	-	1

Preliminary Education Specialist: Deaf and Hard of Hearing (3 visits)--	Met with Concerns	Not Met
1: Program Design, Rationale and Coordination	-	1
7: Early Childhood Intervention and Education	-	1
8: Participating in IFSP/IEPs and Post-Secondary Transition Planning	-	1

Education Specialist Added Authorization: Autism Spectrum Disorder (5 visits)	Met with Concerns	Not Met
1: Characteristics of ASD	-	1

Clear Education Specialist Induction Standards (8 site visits)	Met with Concerns	Not Met
1: Program Rationale and Design	2	-
2: Communication and Collaboration	1	-

Preliminary Administrative Services (7 Site Visits)	Met with Concerns	Not Met
8: Guidance, Assistance, and Feedback	1	-
9: Assessment of Candidate Performance	1	-

Clear Standards-based Administrative Services (5 Site Visits)	Met with Concerns	Not Met
8: Expectations for Candidate Performance	1	-

Clear Guidelines-based Administrative Services (3 Site Visits)	Met with Concerns	Not Met
2: Evaluation of Program Quality	1	-
6: Mentor Qualifications and Assignment	1	-

Reading Certificate (Added Authorization) (6 visits)	Met with Concerns	Not Met
1: Program Design, Rationale, and Coordination	1	-

In the following credential programs, all program standards were found to be met. The number in bold indicates the number of institutions that hosted site visits in 2012-13 where the identified program is offered.

All Standards Found to be Met – 2013-2014 Site Visits	
Program	Number of Site Visits
Agricultural Specialist	2
Bilingual Authorization	5
California Teachers of English learners (CTEL)	1
Early Childhood Education Specialist	1
Preliminary Education Specialist: Physical and Other Health Impairments	1
Preliminary Education Specialist: Visual Impairments	1
Preliminary Education Specialist: Early Childhood Special Education	1

Education Specialist Added Authorization: Adapted Physical Education	1
Education Specialist Added Authorization: Early Childhood Special Education	2
Education Specialist Added Authorization: Orthopedically Impaired	1
Education Specialist Other Related Services: Orientation and Mobility	1
Pupil Personnel Counseling: School Counseling	3
Pupil Personnel: Child Welfare and Attendance	2
Pupil Personnel: School Psychology	4
Pupil Personnel: School Social work	3
Reading Certificate (Added Authorization)	3
Reading Language Arts Specialist Credential	2
Speech-Language Pathology	2
Speech-Language Pathology (Special Class Authorization)	1
School Nurse Services	1
Designated Subjects: Career Technical Education	1

Technical Assistance Site Visits

Technical Assistance site visits are conducted with new programs two years after receiving initial institutional approval from the Commission. Because of the Commission's fiscal constraints, no technical assistance site visits took place in 2013-14.

Initial Approval of New Credential Programs

Institutions that would like a program to be considered for Initial Program Approval submit a document that indicates how the program will meet each of the Commission-adopted program standards along with supporting documents that serve as evidence to verify the claims made. In addition, the institution submits a response to all relevant program specific preconditions that are reviewed by Commission staff as well as a Common Standards document (or a Common Standards addendum if the institution has recently submitted Common Standards). A team of educators who have expertise in the program area and are trained for the review process read the standards documents and consult with one another to determine whether standards are met. If the reviewers jointly agree that standards are met, it is so noted. If the review team agrees that standards are not met, reviewers request specifically what additional information is needed. This feedback is shared with the institution by the CTC staff. When all standards are found to be met and all relevant preconditions are determined to be addressed, Commission staff forwards the item, along with a paragraph about the program written by the institution, to the COA agenda at the next scheduled meeting. Initial program approvals include programs that are new to the credential area. 2013-2014 Initial Program Approval actions taken by the Committee on Accreditation are listed in the tables below.

Preliminary Single Subject: Art (1)
Academy of Art University
Preliminary Single Subject Intern Program: Math and Science (1)
Sacramento County Office of Education
Mathematics Instructional Added Authorization (1)
Teachers College of San Joaquin

General Education (MS/SS) Induction Program (1)
Concordia University
Bilingual Authorization (1)
California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo (Spanish)
Education Specialist Mild/Moderate Credential Intern Program (1)
Concordia University
Education Specialist Mod/Severe Credential Intern Program (1)
Santa Clara County Office of Education
Education Specialist Added Authorization: Early Childhood Special Education (4)
Concordia University
California State University, East Bay
Los Angeles Unified School District
Santa Clara County Office of Education
Education Specialist Added Authorization: Other Health Impairments (1)
Point Loma Nazarene University
Education Specialist Added Authorization: Adapted Physical Education
University of Southern California
Education Specialist Added Authorization: Traumatic Brain Injury (1)
Point Loma Nazarene University
Education Specialist Added Authorization: Emotional Disturbance (2)
Wiseburn School District
Fresno Pacific University
Professional Administrative Services (3)
Riverside County Office of Education (Guidelines)
Tulare County Office of Education (Guidelines)
Kern County Superintendent of Schools (Guidelines)
Clear Education Specialist Induction Credential (21)
Placer County Office of Education
Kern County Superintendent of Schools
San Diego State University
California State University, Dominguez Hills
Oakland Unified School District
Panama-Buena Vista Union School District
Brentwood Unified School District
West Covina Unified School District
Concordia University Irvine
California State University, San Bernardino
Palmdale Unified School District
California State University, Fresno
Clovis Unified School District
Newark Unified School District
School for Integrated Academics and Technologies (SIATech)
Fresno Pacific University
Santa Clara County Office of Education

El Rancho Unified School District
Fontana Unified School District
Kings County Office of Education
Sonoma State University
Pupil Personnel Services - School Counseling (1)
Alliant International University
Preliminary Education Specialist Credential: Language and Academic Development (2)
Ventura County Office of Education
National University

Transitioned Programs

In 2013-14 institutions continued to transition their existing programs from prior standards to newly adopted standards. When the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) adopted its updated Unit Standards, NCATE did not require all accredited institutions to submit a new proposal addressing the revised standards. Beginning with the Education Specialist standards revision, the Commission is implementing a standard transition process that parallels the NCATE process, requiring that all accredited institutions meet the revised standards as of a specific date. Either within one year after an institution has transitioned to new standards, or during the next regularly scheduled program assessment if it falls within an acceptable time frame, the institution will be evaluated against the updated standards. Provided below is the list of programs that transitioned in 2013-14.

Preliminary Education Specialist Added Authorization Programs: Added Authorization: Adapted Physical Education (11)
Azusa Pacific University
California State Polytechnic University, Pomona
California State University, Chico
California State University, Long Beach
California State University, Los Angeles
California State University, Northridge
California State University, San Bernardino
Humboldt State University
San Francisco State University
San Jose State University
Sonoma State University
Reading and Language Arts Specialist Credential (1)
San Jose State University
Teacher Librarian Services Credential (2)
San Jose State University
Azusa Pacific University

Inactive Status

Institutions may temporarily cease offering an approved program for a variety of reasons such as decreased need in the service area or changes in faculty with expertise in the area. In the past, once a program was approved, it was listed as approved on the Commission website even if the

program was not being offered at the institution. At the May 2008 meeting, the COA took action to allow institutions to declare a program to be ***Inactive***. A program may be declared inactive for a maximum of five years. Inactive status does not excuse an institution from accreditation activities. All inactive programs must participate in accreditation activities in a modified manner as determined by the Commission. The following programs noted below were declared to be in an Inactive status in 2013-14.

Professional Preparation Programs Entering Inactive Status in 2013-14 (13)	
Institution	Program
California State University, Bakersfield	Preliminary Administrative Services
	Clear Administrative Services: Standards-Based
California State University, Long Beach	Designated Subjects: Special Subjects
	Designated Subjects: Supervision and Coordination
	Designated Subjects: Career Technical Education
	California Teachers of English Learners Certificate Program
	Preliminary Single Subject: Home Economics Methodology
	Health Services (School Nurse)
	Specialist Credential: Reading Language Arts
California State University, Monterey Bay	Reading Certificate
	Preliminary Multiple Subjects Intern Program
California State University, Fresno	School Nurse Services: Special Class Authorization
California State University, San Marcos	Preliminary Single Subject Intern Program
Humboldt State University	Preliminary Education Specialist Added Authorization: Autism Spectrum Disorder
San Francisco State University	General Education (Multiple and Single Subject) Clear
San Jose State University	Preliminary Education Specialist: Deaf and Hard of Hearing
University of California, Los Angeles	Pupil Personnel Services: School Counseling
	Pupil Personnel Services: School Counseling, Intern Option
University of California, San Diego	Preliminary Multiple Subject Intern Option
Alliant International University	Preliminary Single Subject: Health Methodology
Antioch University	Preliminary Multiple Subjects Intern Program
Argosy University	Preliminary Single Subject Business Methodology
	Preliminary Single Subject Art Methodology

Brandman University	Pupil Personnel Services: School Counseling
California Lutheran University	Education Specialist Added Authorization: Autism Spectrum Disorder
	General Education (Multiple and Single Subjects) Clear
Pepperdine University	Preliminary Multiple Subjects Intern Option
	Preliminary Single Subject Intern Option
Touro University	Education Specialist Added Authorization: Autism Spectrum Disorder
University of Redlands	California Teachers of English Learners Certificate Program
Chino Valley Unified School District	General Education (Multiple and Single Subjects) Induction
El Dorado County Office of Education	Education Specialist Added Authorization: Autism Spectrum Disorder
Escondido Union High School District	General Education (Multiple and Single Subjects) Induction Program
Glendale Unified School District	General Education (Multiple and Single Subjects) Induction
King-Chavez Academy of Excellence	Preliminary Multiple and Single Subjects Intern Option
CORRECTION: Magnolia Public School Pacific Technology School--Orange County	Preliminary Single Subject Intern Option
Oceanside Unified School District	General Education (Multiple and Single Subject) Induction
Orange County Department of Education	Preliminary Education Specialist: Mild/Moderate District Intern Option
	Preliminary Education Specialist: Moderate/Severe District Intern Option
Ventura County Office of Education	Education Specialist Added Authorization: Early Childhood Special Education

Withdrawal of an Approved Program

For a variety of reasons, institutions may choose to no longer offer an approved program. Institutions are encouraged to formally seek a withdrawal of these programs thus removing the program from the Commission's accreditation system. The program is then no longer considered a Commission approved program. If an institution decides to offer a program in the future, it is a minimum of two years before a new program proposal will be accepted. Three institutions/four programs selected this option in the 2013-14 year.

Withdrawn Programs of Professional Preparation (16)	
Institution	Program
California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo	Pupil Personnel Services: School Counseling
Humboldt State University	Preliminary Multiple Subject Intern Option
Loyola Marymount University	Clear Administrative Services: Standards Based
California Lutheran University	Education Specialist: Resource Specialist
California State University, Fullerton	Preliminary Single Subject Health Methodology
Brandman University	General Education (Multiple and Single Subjects) Clear
California Baptist University	General Education (Multiple and Single Subjects) Clear
ICEF Public Schools	General Education (Multiple and Single Subjects) Induction
San Diego Christian College	General Education (Multiple and Single Subjects) Clear
San Diego State University	Education Specialist Added Authorization: Emotional Disturbance
California State University, Northridge	School Nurse
	Education Specialist Added Authorization: Adapted Physical Education
University of California, Riverside	Education Specialist Added Authorization: Autism Spectrum Disorder
	Reading Language Arts Specialist Credential
	Reading Certificate
	Designated Subjects: Special Subjects (Drivers Education & Training)

Reactivation of Inactive Program

An inactive program may be re-activated only when the institution submits a request to the COA and the COA has taken action to reactive the program. If the program standards under which the program was approved have been modified, the institution or program sponsor must address the updated standards before the program may be re-activated. During 2013-14, only one program previously deemed inactive requested and received reactivation and is once again a fully approved program operating in California.

Reactivation Requests in 2013-2014 (2)	
Institution	Program
Lodi Unified School District	General Education (MS/SS) Induction Program
Dos Palos Oro Loma Joint USD	General Education (MS/SS) Induction Program

Initial Institutional Approval

The Committee on Accreditation does not have authority to approve the eligibility of institutions to offer educator preparation programs in California. Rather, initial institutional approval is within the purview of the Commission. Once the Commission determines that an institution is eligible to offer educator preparation in California, the program proposals by those institutions are brought forward to the COA for its consideration and action. During the 2013-14, there were no institutions that were granted Initial Institutional Approval.

Institutions that No Longer are Approved Program Sponsors

During 2013-14, two institutions ceased to be Commission-approved program sponsors:

Envision Schools – Closed due to Denial of Accreditation June 2014

Oceanside Unified School District – Closed February 2014

Section III:
Proposed Work Plan for the Committee on Accreditation in 2014-2015

The COA will discuss this at the October meeting.

Appendix A

Accreditation Activities 2012-13 and 13-14

Biennial Reports Submitted in Fall 2013 (Data from 2011-12 and 2012-13)

Orange
Green
Indigo*

Biennial Reports Due in Fall 2014 (Data from 2012-13 and 2013-14)

Indigo*
Red
Yellow

- Due to the hiatus in Accreditation activities, the Indigo cohort had the option of postponing their 2013 Biennial Report for a year.

Program Assessment

Institutions completing Program Assessment in 2013-14	Blue Cohort
Institutions Beginning Program Assessment (resumption of PA) in 2014-15	Green Cohort

2014-15 Site Visits

Indigo
Cupertino USD

Appendix B
2014-2015 Accreditation Activities at a Glance
For a list of all institutions in each cohort, please see Appendix D

Biennial Reports			
Submitted Fall 2013	Orange Cohort	Green Cohort	Indigo Cohort•
Due Fall 2014	Red Cohort	Yellow Cohort	Indigo Cohort•
Program Assessment			
Submitted Fall 2013	Blue Cohort		
Due Dec. 2014	Green Cohort		
Institutions with a Site Visit in 2014-15			
Indigo Cohort			
Violet Institutions with a Revisit			
CSU, Monterey Bay National University			
Institutions with a Technical Assistance Visit			
There are currently none scheduled			

Appendix C: Cohort Membership by Institution

Cohort	RED	ORANGE	YELLOW
2014-15	Year 7 Biennial Report	Year 1 --	Year 2 Biennial Report
	CSU	CSU	CSU
	Dominguez Hills Los Angeles Sonoma State	Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo CalState TEACH Sacramento San Jose State	Northridge San Diego State Stanislaus
	UC	UC	UC
	Berkeley Los Angeles Santa Cruz	Santa Barbara	--
	LEA	LEA	LEA
	Arcadia USD Bay Area School of Enterprise/REACH Burbank USD Cajon Valley Union SD Campbell Union SD Chula Vista ESD Contra Costa COE Culver City USD Davis Joint USD Dos Palos Oro Lomo JUSD Hanford ESD Los Angeles USD Manteca USD Marin COE Oakland USD Orange USD Placer COE Pleasanton USD Poway USD Redwood City SD Riverside COE Sutter County SOS Temple City USD Tulare City SD	Alhambra USD Anaheim Union HSD Aspire Public Schools Azusa USD Butte COE Conejo Valley USD El Rancho USD Fontana USD Fremont USD Hayward USD Kings COE Merced Union HSD Milpitas USD Modesto City Schools Paramount USD Rialto USD San Marcos USD Santa Barbara CEO Santa Rosa City Schools School for Integrated Science and Technology/SIA Tech West Contra Costa USD	Anaheim City SD Capistrano USD Chino Valley USD Clovis USD Etiwanda SD Lodi USD Napa COE Ontario-Montclair SD Panama-Buena Vista Union SD Pomona USD Riverside USD Rowland USD Saddleback Valley USD San Gabriel USD Santa Clara USD Santa Cruz COE Sonoma COE Stanislaus COE Sweetwater Union HSD Walnut Valley USD
	Private/Independent	Private/Independent	Private/Independent
	Concordia University Pacific Union College Pepperdine University Point Loma Nazarene University of San Diego	California Baptist University Chapman University St. Mary's College of Calif. The Master's College University of La Verne University of Phoenix University of the Pacific	Biola University Fresno Pacific University Loyola Marymount University National Hispanic University San Diego Christian College Santa Clara University Touro University Western Governors University Whittier College William Jessup University
	Other Sponsors	Other Sponsors	Other Sponsors
		ACSA	
Total	35	34	33

SV	2019-2020	2018-2019	2017-2018
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Cohort	GREEN	BLUE	INDIGO	VIOLET
2014-2015	Year 3 Program Assessment	Year 4 --	Year 5 (Biennial Report) Site Visit	Year 6 7th Year Follow-up
	CSU	CSU	CSU	CSU
	Channel Islands East Bay San Bernardino	Fullerton	Bakersfield Cal Poly, Pomona Chico Humboldt Long Beach San Marcos	Fresno San Francisco State Monterey Bay
	UC	UC	UC	UC
	--	Riverside	--	Davis Irvine San Diego
	LEA	LEA	LEA	LEA
	Antioch USD Bakersfield City SD Castaic Union SD Evergreen SD Fairfield-Suisun City SD Fresno COE Garden Grove USD Hacienda La Puente USD La Mesa-Spring Valley SD Los Angeles COE Madera COE Merced COE Montebello USD Newark USD Oceanside USD San Bernardino City Schools San Diego COE San Juan USD San Mateo-Foster Santa Ana USD Saugus Union SD	Bellflower USD CA School for the Deaf Chaffey Joint Union HSD Corona-Norco USD Elk Grove USD Encinitas Union SD Escondido Union SD Fresno USD Glendale USD Greenfield Union SD Grossmont Union HSD Kern High SD Lawndale ESD Long Beach USD Magnolia Schools: Pacific Technology Mt. Diablo USD/Fortune School Oak Grove SD Palmdale SD PUC Schools San Luis Obispo COE San Mateo COE Tehama County DOE Torrance USD Tulare COE Tustin USD Vallejo City USD Wiseburn SD	Animo Leadership Charter HS: Green Dot Baldwin Park USD Brentwood Union SD Central USD Fullerton SD High Tech High Lancaster SD Madera USD Metropolitan Education District Monterey COE Ocean View SD Orange County DOE Pasadena USD Placentia-Yorba Linda USD Sacramento COE San Diego USD San Dieguito Union HSD San Joaquin COE San Jose USD San Ramon Valley USD Santa Clara COE Santa Monica-Malibu USD Stockton USD Tracy USD Ventura COE Visalia USD West Covina USD Vista USD West Covina USD Westside Union SD	Antelope Valley Union HSD Compton USD Cupertino Union SD El Dorado COE Envision Schools Escondido Union HSD ICEF Public Schools (LAUSD) Imperial COE Irvine USD Keppel Union SD Kern County SOS Los Banos USD Murrieta Valley USD New Haven USD Newport-Mesa USD Norwalk-La Mirada USD Palo Alto USD Palos Verdes Peninsula USD Sacramento City USD San Francisco USD Sanger USD Selma USD Sequoia Union HSD Washington USD Wm. S. Hart Union HSD

	Private/Independent	Private/Independent	Private/Independent	Private/Independent
	Cal Lutheran Univ. Humphreys College Mills College Notre Dame de Namur Univ. Patten University Simpson University Westmont College	Alliant International University Bard College Dominican University Drexel University Holy Names University Loma Linda University Phillips Graduate University Stanford University United States University Vanguard University	Azusa Pacific University Brandman University Fielding Graduate University Mount St. Mary's College Teachers College of San Joaquin University of Redlands University of San Francisco	Antioch University Argosy University Claremont Graduate University Hebrew Union College Hope International Univ. La Sierra University National University Pacific Oaks College University of Southern California
	Other Sponsors	Other Sponsors	Other Sponsors	Other Sponsors
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Total	31	39	42	42
Site Visit	2016-2017	2015-2016	2014-2015	2013-2014